



FIVE NAVY MEDICINE MOMENTS IN NOVEMBER 2018 [PHOTOS]

Every day, more than 63,000 Navy Medicine personnel are operating forward around the world, providing agile and rapid health care support to the Navy and Marine Corps. Saving lives wherever our forces operate is what we do, be it above the sea, on the sea, below the sea or on the battlefield. The following photos depict important events and our medical professionals at work during November 2018.



MEDITERRANEAN SEA (Nov. 5, 2018) – Electronics Technician 3rd Class Tyler Gardner, left, and Hospital Corpsman 2nd Class Timothy Clay, both search and rescue swimmers assigned to the San Antonio-class amphibious transport dock ship USS Anchorage (LPD 23), participate in a simulated man over board drill in the Mediterranean Sea, Nov. 5, 2018. Anchorage and embarked 13th Marine Expeditionary Unit are deployed to the U.S. 6th Fleet area of operations as a crisis response force in support of regional partners as well as to promote U.S. national security interests in Europe and Africa. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 3rd Class Ryan M. Breeden/Released)



UNDISCLOSED LOCATION, SOUTHWEST ASIA (Nov. 12, 2018) – U.S. Navy HM3 Tyler Compton, a hospital corpsman with 1st Air Naval Gunfire Liaison, attached to Special Marine Air-Ground Task Force, Crisis Response-Central Command (SPMAGTF-CR-CC), troubleshoots a drone after a test flight Nov. 12, 2018. Marines and Sailors with SPMAGTF-CR-CC learned to build, program, and pilot drones in an extensive eight day course. (U.S. Marine Corps photo by Staff Sgt. Donell Bryant)



PORT VILA, Vanuatu (Nov. 15, 2018) – U.S. Navy Hospital Corpsman 2nd Class Desirae A. Montoya, left, with Task Force Koa Moana, speaks with hospital staff during a survey at Central Hospital, Port Vila, Efate Island, Republic of Vanuatu, Nov. 15, 2018. The Task Force met with hospital staff and toured the facility to learn about its medical capabilities and humanitarian assistance and disaster and relief procedures in case of a crises, as part of the Task Force's continued multilateral engagements designed to strengthen and enhance relationships among the United States and partner nations in the Indo-Pacific and South Pacific regions. (U.S. Marine Corps photo by Staff Sgt. Gabriela Garcia)



TURBO, Colombia (Nov. 17, 2018) – Hospital Corpsman 3rd Class Rebekah McGuire, from Cochran, Ga., shares a smile while checking a patient's temperature to update her medical file and check her into a land-based medical site. The hospital ship USNS Comfort (T-AH 20) is on an 11-week medical support mission to Central and South America as part of U.S. Southern Command's Enduring Promise initiative. Working with health and government partners in Ecuador, Peru, Colombia and Honduras, the embarked medical team will provide care on board and at land-based medical sites, helping to relieve pressure on national medical systems caused partly by an increase in cross-border migrants. The deployment reflects the United States' enduring promise of friendship, partnership and solidarity with the Americas. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 2nd Class Kris R. Lindstrom/Released)



RATCHABURI, Thailand (Nov. 20, 2018) U.S. Navy Hospital Corpsman 1st Class Anthony Cooper, a corpsman with 9th Engineer Support Battalion, 3rd Marine Logistics Group, assists Royal Thai Army Staff Sgt. Nattapong Narin, a tank gunner with 2nd Cavalry Battalion, with inserting a needle during a combat casualty care exercise at the Panurangsri Camp Military Engineer Department in Ratchaburi, Kingdom of Thailand, Nov. 20, 2018. Service members with the Royal Thai Armed Forces are working with U.S. Marine explosive ordnance disposal technicians, engineers and corpsmen with 9th ESB to build up the Thai military's demining capabilities and supplemental combat casualty care skills. The Marine Corps conducts multiple Humanitarian Mine Action training packages with partner nations annually, instructing military students on the tactics, techniques and procedures for locating, removing and disposing of unexploded ordnance. (U.S. Marine Corps photo by Lance Cpl. Adam Montero)